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SUBJECT: RESTRICTIONS ON SALES TO SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE
AND DEFENSE FORCES

REF: JOHANNESBURG 1464,

1. WE CONSIDER THAT THE US SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATES
HAVE A POINT WITH RESPECT TO SOME BUT NOT ALL OF THE
ENTITIES WHICH THEY HOLD SHOULD BE EXCLUDED FROM THE
EMBARGO ON EXPORTS FOR THE USE OF POLICE AND MILITARY ENTITIES.

2. THE EMBARGO IS INTENDED TO FURTHER US FOREIGN POLICY
WITH RESPECT TO HUMAN RIGHTS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF SECURITY
COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS. THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EMBARGO
MUST OF COURSE BE IN ACCORD WITH OUR OWN AND NOT, AS THE
SUBSIDIARIES SUGGEST, SOUTH AFRICAN DEFINITION OF WHAT
CONSTITUTES POLICE AND MILITARY ENTITIES.

3. WITH THESE BASIC GUIDELINES IN MIND, WE BELIEVE THE
EMBARGO NECESSARILY APPLIES TO THE FOLLOWING: THE BUREAU
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FOR STATE SECURITY, DEPARTMENT OF PRISONS, SA RAILWAYS,
POLICE, AND TRAFFIC INSPECTORS. ON ONE WAY OR ANOTHER
THESE ENTITIES EXERCISE SOME POLICE POWERS AS UNDERSTOOD
IN THE US. IN TWO CASES AT LEAST--BUREAU FOR STATE
SECURITY AND DEPARTMENT OF PRISONS--PRACTICES AND ENFORCEMENT
OF STRICTURES WITH RESPECT TO HUMAN RIGHTS ARE VERY MUCH
INVOLVED.

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